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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR §1.97

Sir:

An Information Disclosure Statement along with attached PTO/SB/08 is hereby submitted. A copy of each listed publication is submitted, if required, pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.97-1.98, as indicated below.

The Examiner is requested to review the information provided and to make the information of record in the above-identified application. The Examiner is further requested to initial and return the attached PTO/SB/08 in accordance with MPEP §609.

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☐ (3) It is being filed before the mailing of a first Office action on the merits;

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☒ (4) It is being filed before the mailing of a first Office action after the filing of a request for continued examination under §1.114.

B. ☐ 37 CFR §1.97(c). Although this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the period specified in 37 CFR §1.97(b), above, it is filed before the mailing date of the earlier of (1) a final office action under §1.113, (2) a notice of allowance under §1.311, or (3) an action that otherwise closes prosecution on the merits, this Information Disclosure Statement should be considered because it is accompanied by one of:

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☐ a fee of \$180.00 as set forth in §1.17(p) authorized below, enclosed, or included with the payment of other papers filed together with this statement.

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i. a statement as specified in §1.97(e);

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ii. a fee of \$180.00 as set forth in §1.17(p) is authorized below, enclosed, or included with the payment of other papers filed together with this Statement.

D. ☐ 37 CFR §1.97(e). Statement.

☐ A statement is provided herewith to satisfy the requirement under 37 CFR §§1.97(c);

-- AND/OR --

☐ A statement is provided herewith to satisfy the requirement under 37 CFR §§1.97(d);

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☐ A copy of a dated communication from a foreign patent office clearly showing that the information disclosure statement is being submitted within 3 months of the filing date on the communication is provided in lieu of a statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1) as provided for under MPEP 609.04(b) V.

E. ☐ Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §1.704(d). Each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application that was received by an individual designated in § 1.56(c) not more than thirty (30) days prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement. This statement is made pursuant to the

requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.704(d) to avoid reduction of the period of adjustment of the patent term for Applicant(s) delay.

F. ☒ 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2). The content of the Information Disclosure Statement is as follows:

☐ Copies of each of the references listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08 are enclosed herewith.

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☒ Copies of U.S. Patent Documents (issued patents and patent publications) listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08 are NOT enclosed.

-- AND/OR --

☒ Copies of Foreign Patent Documents and/or Non Patent Literature Documents listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08 are enclosed in accordance with 37 CFR §1.98 (a)(2).

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☐ Copies of pending unpublished U.S. patent applications are enclosed in accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2)(iii).

G. ☐ 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3). The Information Disclosure Statement includes non-English patents and/or references.

☐ Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3)(i), a concise explanation of the relevance of each patent, publication or other information provided that is not in English is provided herewith.

☐ Pursuant to MPEP 609(B), an English language copy of a foreign search report is submitted herewith to satisfy the requirement for a concise explanation where non-English language information is cited in the search report.

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☐ Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3)(ii), a copy of a translation, or a portion thereof, of the non-English language reference(s) is provided herewith.

H. In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and set forth in M.P.E.P. § 2001.06(b), Applicants wish to bring to the Examiner's attention the patents and co-pending United States applications which may be related to the instant application and may be material to patentability, listed below. The chart below is designed to assist the Examiner in the evaluation of the instant application. The status information, compiled from PAIR, is believed to be current as of 09/29/08 and is subject to change. Applicants have not provided copies of the Office Actions from the patents and co-pending United States applications which may be related to the instant application, since they are believed to be readily available to the Examiner, but would be pleased to do so at the Examiner's request. Copies of the published applications/patents, if applicable, have been cited in a previous Information Disclosure Statement and/or are cited herein and listed on the attached PTO Form SB/08.

No.	U.S. Serial No.	Attorney Docket No.	U.S. Publication No.	PAIR Status	Date	Examiner
1	11/543,312	36671-719.201	US 2007-0092911 A1	Docketed New Case - Ready for Examination	05/09/2007	Patricia Ann Duffy
2	11/690,767	36671-719.501	US 2008-0050832 A1	Docketed New Case - Ready for Examination	12/29/2007	Patricia Ann Duffy
3	11/770,608	36671-719.502		Application Undergoing Preexam Processing	06/28/2007	
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6	10/759,216	36671-747.201	US 2005-0196817 A1	Response to Non-Final Office Action Entered and Forwarded to Examiner	03/24/2008	Brian J. Gangle
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8	09/363,960	36671-761.401	6,503,722	Patented Case	12/19/2002	Padmavathi Baskar
	09/158,180	36671-763.201	US 2002-0127618	Abandoned -- Failure to Respond to an Office Action	5/15/2003	Jana A. Hines
9	09/877,933	36671-763.401	7,052,858	Patented Case	05/10/2006	Jana A. Hines
	09/158,945	36671-764.201		Abandoned -- Failure to Respond to an Office Action	11/26/2002	Rodney P. Swartz
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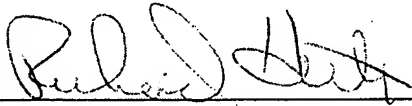
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- I. ☒ *Fee Authorization.* The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the above-referenced fees of \$0.00 and charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-2415 (Docket No. 36671-747.201).

Respectfully submitted,

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